

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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House of Representatives, February 8, 2005

### An Act To Reduce the Size of State Government by 5%

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Reference to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

*Millicent M. MacFarland*  
MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND  
Clerk

Presented by Representative JOY of Crystal.

Cosponsored by Representatives: ANNIS of Dover-Foxcroft, RICHARDSON of Carmel, SAVIELLO of Wilton, THOMAS of Ripley, VAUGHAN of Durham.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

4 **Sec. 1. Calculation and transfer.** Notwithstanding the Maine  
6 Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 1585 and any other provision  
8 of law, the State Budget Officer shall calculate the amount of  
10 savings resulting from an across-the-board reduction in General  
12 Fund appropriations of approximately 5% for the 2006-2007  
14 biennium. These reductions must be applied against the General  
Fund accounts of all departments and agencies based on the total  
appropriations to those accounts. These transfers are considered  
adjustments to appropriations. To facilitate the process, each  
reduction must be evaluated by the State Budget Officer to  
determine whether the services being reduced could be provided by  
the private sector.

16 **Sec. 2. Reduction.** The Governor shall submit a budget for the  
18 2008-2009 biennium that contains a 5% across-the-board reduction  
20 from 2006-2007 biennium budget levels that resulted after the  
reduction calculated by the State Budget Officer in section 1 of  
this Act.

22 **Sec. 3. Appropriations and allocations.** The following  
24 appropriations and allocations are made from various funds for  
the fiscal years ending June 30, 2006 and June 30, 2007.

26 **ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF**

28 **Departments and Agencies - Statewide**

30 Initiative: Deappropriates funds resulting from an  
32 across-the-board reduction of approximately 5% for the 2006-2007  
biennium.

34 <b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>2005-06</b>	<b>2006-07</b>
Unallocated	(\$140,268,938)	(\$145,704,895)
36 GENERAL FUND TOTAL	(\$140,268,938)	(\$145,704,895)

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40 **SUMMARY**

42 This bill reduces General Fund appropriations to reflect  
44 savings resulting from an across-the-board reduction of 5% for  
each of the next 2 biennia.